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Improved Skin Substitutes And Uses Thereof

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT RECEIVED **MAILED FEBRUARY 27, 2003**

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This communication is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 27, 2003, in the above-mentioned application. The Restriction Requirement set a shortened statutory period of one month for Applicants' response. Accompanying this communication is a Request for a two-month extension of time for responding to the outstanding Restriction Requirement. Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner of the Patent and Trademark Office to charge Attorney Deposit Account No. 08-1290 the fee associate with this extension and any other fees associated with this communication. Please reference Attorney Docket No.: STRATA-06663 when charging the Attorney Deposit Account.

A clean version of the pending claims with instructions for entry of any claim amendments/additions/cancellations pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(3) as they would appear following entry of the Applicants' response is attached at Appendix 2. Please reconsider the above-mentioned application in view of the following remarks.

In The Claims:

Please cancel claims 15-63 without prejudice.